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## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR CONTINUATION-IN-PART APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; that

I verily believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or a joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below) of the improvement in <u>SURFACE TREATED PRODUCT, SURFACE</u> TREATMENT METHOD, AND SURFACE TREATMENT APPARATUS described and claimed in the specification

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b. [x] filed on June 26, 2003 as Application Serial No. 10/606, 282 and amended on

(if applicable)

and that this application in part discloses and claims subject matter disclosed in my or our earlier filed pending application, Serial No. 10/270,181, filed October 15, 2002, the benefits of which are hereby claimed under 35 U.S. Code §120. I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of this application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above; and that I acknowledge my duty to disclose information of which I am aware which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

Under Title 35 U.S. Code §119, the priority benefits of the following foreign application(s) filed within one year prior to said earlier filed pending application are hereby claimed:

> Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-187643 filed June 27, 2002; Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-289208 filed October 1, 2002; Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-113962 filed April 18, 2003; Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-113966 filed April 18, 2003; Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-121597 filed April 25, 2003, and Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-132666 filed May 12, 2003.

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As to any and all subject matter of this application which is not common to said earlier application, I acknowledge my duty to disclose information of which I am aware which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a), which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the filing date of this application.

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